

## NOTICE OF HEARING

## COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

Mr. DORGAN. Mr. President, I would like to announce that the Committee on Indian Affairs will meet on Thursday, May 7, 2009, at 2:15 p.m. in Room 628 of the Dirksen Senate office building to conduct a hearing on the nomination of Larry J. Echo Hawk to be Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs, U.S. Department of the Interior.

Those wishing additional information may contact the Indian Affairs Committee at 202-224-2251.

## AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

## COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 6, 2009, at 9:30 a.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "Regulating and Resolving Institutions Considered 'Too Big to Fail'."

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

## COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, May 6, 2009, at 10 a.m., in room SD-366 of the Dirksen Senate office building.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

## COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, May 6, 2009, at 9:30 a.m., to hold a hearing entitled "Engaging Iran: Obstacles and Opportunities."

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

## COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, May 6, 2009, at 2:30 p.m., to hold a subcommittee hearing entitled "NATO Post-60: Institutional Challenges Moving Forward."

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

## COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, to conduct a hearing entitled "Oversight of the Department of Homeland Security," on Wednesday, May 6, 2009, at 10 a.m., in room SD-224 of the Dirksen Senate office building.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

## COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Veterans' Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, May 6, 2009, at 9 a.m. The Committee will meet in room 418 of the Russell Senate office building beginning at 9:30 a.m.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

## SUBCOMMITTEE ON COMMUNICATIONS, TECHNOLOGY, AND THE INTERNET

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Communications, Technology, and the Internet of the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, May 6, 2009, at 2:30 p.m., in room 253 of the Russell Senate office building.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

## SUBCOMMITTEE ON STRATEGIC FORCES

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Strategic Forces of the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, May 6, 2009, at 2:15 p.m.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

## SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON AGING

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Special Committee on Aging be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, on May 6, 2009, from 2 p.m.—4 p.m. in Hart 216 for the purpose of conducting a hearing.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

## PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR

Ms. COLLINS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Eric Cho, a detailee on my Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs staff, be granted the privileges of the floor during the duration of the debate on this legislation S. 454.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. CHAMBLISS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that CAPT David Evans, of my staff, be granted the privilege of the floor for the remainder of the discussion of this bill.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

## EXECUTIVE SESSION

## EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to executive session to consider Calendar Nos. 80, 85, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, and all nominations on the Secretary's desk in the Foreign Service; that the nominations be con-

firmed en bloc, and the motions to reconsider be laid upon the table en bloc; that no further motions be in order; that any statements relating to the nominations be printed in the RECORD; that the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action; and that the Senate then resume legislative session.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The nominations considered and confirmed are as follows:

## DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

Ronald C. Sims, of Washington, to be Deputy Secretary of Department of Housing and Urban Development.

## EXPORT-IMPORT BANK OF THE UNITED STATES

Fred P. Hochberg, of New York, to be President of the Export-Import Bank of the United States for a term expiring January 20, 2013.

## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Yvette Roubideaux, of Arizona, to be Director of the Indian Health Service, Department of Health and Human Services, for the term of four years.

## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Ivan K. Fong, of Ohio, to be General Counsel, Department of Homeland Security.

Timothy W. Manning, of New Mexico, to be Deputy Administrator for National Preparedness, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security.

## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Alan B. Krueger, of New Jersey, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.

## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

William V. Corr, of Virginia, to be Deputy Secretary of Health and Human Services.

## EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

Demetrios J. Marantis, of the District of Columbia, to be a Deputy United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador.

## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Johnnie Carson, of Illinois, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (African Affairs).

Ivo H. Daalder, of Virginia, to be United States Permanent Representative on the Council of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, with the rank and status of Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary.

Luis C. de Baca, of Virginia, to be Director of the Office to Monitor and Combat Trafficking, with rank of Ambassador at Large.

## NOMINATIONS PLACED ON THE SECRETARY'S DESK

## FOREIGN SERVICE

PN273 FOREIGN SERVICE nominations (7) beginning Gregory D. Loose, and ending Gregory M. Wong, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD of April 2, 2009.

PN274 FOREIGN SERVICE nominations (154) beginning Laszlo F. Sagi, and ending Daniel E. Harris, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD of April 2, 2009.

PN275 FOREIGN SERVICE nominations (224) beginning John M. Kowalski, and ending Jeremy Terrill Young, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD of April 2, 2009.

## LEGISLATIVE SESSION

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the Senate will now return to legislative session.